

HOUSE RESOLUTION 261

By Calfee

A RESOLUTION to honor Leadership Roane County on the occasion of the organization's thirty-fifth anniversary.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we should pause to specially recognize those estimable organizations that encourage success and effective leadership by their participants; and

WHEREAS, one such notable organization is Leadership Roane County, which is celebrating its thirty-fifth anniversary in 2020; and

WHEREAS, the roots of Leadership Roane County date back to 1983 and the formation of the Roane Technology Task Force, which was charged to make recommendations for progressive change in Roane County; and

WHEREAS, among the recommendations listed in the Task Force's final report in 1984 was the creation of Leadership Roane County, an idea quickly endorsed by the Roane County Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, starting and graduating its first class in 1985, Leadership Roane County was established with the understanding that the future of Roane County is a product of how community leaders manage circumstances and choices and that responsible, well-informed leaders, armed with a broadened perspective, could influence the course of events; and

WHEREAS, upon the graduation of the Class of 2020, 553 individuals will have graduated from Leadership Roane County, including such notable alumni as State Senator Ken Yager, Jim Henry, Paul Goldberg, Dennis Humphreys, Russell Simmons, Jr., Ron Woody, Troy Beets, Teresa Duncan, Danice Turpin, Chris Whaley, and Joy Goldberg; and

WHEREAS, Leadership Roane County is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and this worthy organization should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED ELEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend Leadership Roane County for its laudable service to the people of Roane County and this State, congratulate its current members and graduates on the occasion of Leadership Roane County's thirty-fifth anniversary, and applaud their determination to improve the quality of life for their fellow citizens.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.